IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA BRYSON CITY DIVISION

CIVIL NO. 2:07CV23 (2:04CR38)

| LONNIE MACK OGLESBEE, |) |
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| Petitioner, |) |
| Vs. | ORDER |
| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |) |
| Respondent. |))) |

THIS MATTER is before the Court on Petitioner's two "Motions for Due Process" filed June 20 and 23, 2008, respectively.

Petitioner complains that certain prison employees are violating his due process rights by refusing to make copies of his response to the Government's motion for summary judgment and refusing to provide postage or "certified mail tickets" for mailing those documents to the Court. He also states that he is without funds to purchase manilla envelopes for mailing his documents to the Court.

While the Court is sympathetic to Petitioner's plight, the Court advises Petitioner that certified mail is not required; he may send his

pleadings *via* regular mail. Also, he may wish to consider sending his court pleadings to a family member to copy and forward to the Court. Simply put, the Court has no authority to direct the prison authorities to comply with all of Petitioner's many requests. On the other hand, however, because of the problems Petitioner has encountered, the Court will afford him a modest extension of time in which to file his response with the Court.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Petitioner's motions for due process are DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petitioner is granted an extension of time for filing response to the Government's motion for summary judgment, in accordance with the provisions of Fed. R. Civ. P. 56(e), to and including July 31, 2008.

Signed: June 24, 2008

Lacy H. Thornburg United States District Judge